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WORK CONTINUES ON HIGHWAY 33 PAVEMENT “SLIPOUT” REPAIR -- SHOULDER OPEN TO TWO-AXLE VEHICLES ONLY

Ventura County – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that work is continuing on repairs to Highway 33, approximately 36 miles north of Ojai (on the south end, eight miles north of Lockwood Valley Road; on the north end, twelve miles south of State Route 166). The northbound shoulder is being used as a lane alternately for both northbound and southbound traffic, which is being delineated by concrete barriers and controlled by stop signs. This lane is now open to two-axle vehicles only. Multi-axle and combinations are prohibited.

The Highway was closed July 12 due to a pavement “slipout.” A slipout occurs when the material beneath the roadway built on the side of a hill or mountain, slips, making the roadway impassable.

Suggested alternate routes for vehicles with more than two axles are as follows:

From Ventura to New Cuyama, Cuyama and Maricopa

- Use eastbound State Route 126 to northbound I-5 to westbound State Route 166

From Los Angeles to New Cuyama, Cuyama and Maricopa:

- Use northbound I-5 to westbound State Route 166
- Use northbound State Route 101 to eastbound State Route 166

Repairs are expected to be completed by late August. Estimated cost is \$750,000. Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience and cooperation during this highway repair project.

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